

Lost and Found

Each day the Moore County Animal Center receives many calls concerning lost or found animals. It is an unfortunate fact of life that very few animals we take in or pick up as strays have identification.

The consequence of this is that only about 4% of animals which come to us are returned to their owners. North Carolina law requires that all dogs be equipped with a collar bearing the owner's contact information- and of course, rabies tags.

An additional safeguard would be to identify your pet with a microchip which is an electronic identifier about the size of a grain of rice inserted by injection in the animal's neck. All animals entering any shelter or veterinary office are scanned for microchip identification. This method is recommended as it is the only permanent method of identification.

We provide this service at the Animal Center for a ten dollar fee.

You can now complete a lost or found pet report online. Please take a minute to see if you can locate a digital picture of your lost pet or to take a digital picture of the found pet to upload with the report. Then, complete the lost or found report at the Pilot's website – click here to access the site: <http://www.thepilot.com/news/pets/> .

This report will be sent to Animal Control Officers, local Veterinarians, and Rescue Groups. The Pilot will also post your information in the paper at no charge for a week. If you are unable to do this yourself, just call us (910-947-2858) and we will be happy to do this for you.

If you lose a dog or cat, [Click here for additional suggestions](#)

